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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Kenji HASHIMOTO

Group Art Unit: 1722

Application No.: 09/503,170

Examiner: R. Davis

Filed: February 14, 2000

RESIN ENCAPSULATING

APPARATUS AND METHOD

USED IN A MANUFACTURE OF A

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In reply to the Office Action dated April 10, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 8, and add new claims 21-26, as follows:

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1. (Amended) A resin encapsulating apparatus comprising:

a retaining section which retains a semiconductor device;

a mask set on the semiconductor device and having an opening at which part of

the semiconductor device is exposed;

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